

Unit 9

Day 1

Equations in Quadratic Form

1)

$$6x^4 - x^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$(3x^2 + 1)(2x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$3x^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$3x^2 = -1$$

$$x^2 = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{1}{3}} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}i$$

$$x = \pm \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$2x^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$2x^2 = 1$$

$$x^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

2)

$$2x^4 + 5x^2 = 3$$

$$2x^4 + 5x^2 - 3 = 0$$

$$(2x^2 - 1)(x^2 + 3) = 0$$

$$2x^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$2x^2 = 1$$

$$x^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$x^2 = -3$$

$$x = \pm i\sqrt{3}$$

Solve by writing with positive exponents and multiplying through by the LCD.

3)

$$4p^{-2} - 8p^{-1} = 5$$

$$\left(\frac{4}{p^2} - \frac{8}{p} = 5 \right) p^2$$

$$4 - 8p = 5p^2$$

$$0 = 5p^2 + 8p - 4$$

$$0 = (5p - 2)(p + 2)$$

$$p = \frac{2}{5} \text{ , } p = -2$$

4)

$$2(p^2 + 1)^{-2} - 5(p^2 + 1)^{-1} - 3 = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{(p^2 + 1)^2} - \frac{5}{p^2 + 1} - 3 = 0 \right) (p^2 + 1)^2$$

$$2 - 5(p^2 + 1) - 3(p^2 + 1)^2 = 0$$

let $y =$
 $p^2 + 1$

$$2 - 5y - 3y^2 = 0$$

$$3y^2 + 5y - 2 = 0$$

$$(3y - 1)(y + 2) = 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3} \quad | \quad y = -2$$

$$p^2 + 1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$p^2 = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$p = \pm i\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$p = \pm i\frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}$$

$$p^2 + 1 = -2$$

$$p^2 = -3$$

$$p = \pm i\sqrt{3}$$

Solve by substitution.

5)

$$\left(\frac{x}{x-2}\right)^2 - \frac{4x}{x-2} = 5$$

let $y = \frac{x}{x-2}$

$$\left(\frac{x}{x-2}\right)^2 - 4\left(\frac{x}{x-2}\right) = 5$$

$$y^2 - 4y = 5$$

$$y^2 - 4y - 5 = 0$$

$$(y - 5)(y + 1) = 0$$

$$y = 5$$

$$y = -1$$

$$\frac{x}{x-2} = 5$$

$$\frac{x}{x-2} = -1$$

$$x = 5x - 10$$

$$-4x = -10$$

$$x = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$x = -x + 2$$

$$2x = 2$$

$$x = 1$$

$$6) \quad (x^2 - 4)^2 - (x^2 - 4) - 6 = 0$$

HOMEWORK:
EQ. IN QUAD FORM
PART A 1-16 ALL
PART B 1-15 ODD